



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Christoph RUEGG et al.

Group Art Unit: 3635

Application No.: 10/568,188

Examiner: C. AHMAD

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Docket No.: 126750

For: FORCE APPLICATION ELEMENT, EXTENSION ELEMENT, AND A METHOD  
FOR INCREASING THE TENSILE LOAD OF A STRIP-SHAPED MATERIAL

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the April 20, 2011 Office Action and the November 25, 2011 Notice of  
Non-Responsive Amendment, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims; and  
Remarks.**